

# The Scribe



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## Happy Holidays



# EDITORIAL

## All Together Now

College political views took great strides in the 60's with the issue of the war in Vietnam. With an issue such as this, it was not as difficult to take one side against the other. Today, there are a number of issues to be concerned with from Nicaragua, Iran, South Africa, AIDS, the Economy, to Nuclear Weapons. With all of these pressing issues, it may be difficult for many to know which side they are on—the left, the right,—or somewhere in between. In today's world things are no longer "black or white" there are many different sides which can be taken on different levels of the matter.

This past Tuesday night, the Political Science Forum sponsored a debate between the College Republicans and a group of concerned students which named, themselves LIFE. First, I would like to say that it was refreshing to see the turnout at the debate. There seems to have been a political rebirth which has occurred this semester. The debate showed various sides of political views on campus.

It would be fair to say that, neither side of the panels "won" the debate. One of the problems of the debate was that it was not "left" against "right" rather one side of the "right" debating the other. The real debate came when the questioning was

turned over to the floor and different views from the "left" were expressed.

It is sad we must live in a world of such fear and danger. However, it would not be impossible to ask for the issues to be handled on a more mature level. There is no reason for name calling or discriminatory comments such as in the November 5th issue. The comment made was "Did the organized left get lost at the gay rights parade in Washington?" Negative comments, such as this, seem to sidestep the important issues rather than address-

ing them with intelligence.

It is hard to envision this world with all the countries at peace with one another, it almost boggles the mind to think of. However, perpetual military confrontations are much more difficult to contemplate. We have to face the issues and it is important to remember "united we stand, divided, we fall". There are too many people with too many views to ever be completely united. However, effort must be made on both sides. In the November 12th issue a letter written by Paul D'Amico and Alex Leeson, which confirmed the existence of a political left on campus, ended with the comment "Sorry we are not fulfilling

your desire for a confrontation." This attitude of working together must be concentrated on rather than concentrating on why you are right and they are wrong.

To make my point clear on this, I would like to stress that I am happy to see students politically aware and concerned. There are so many different views and opinions on issues and expressing them openly is one of the things which makes this country great. We all, hopefully, have one main goal PEACE—which cannot be achieved by fighting small battles between one another. Living in peace is not too much to ask.

Carolyn Grassl  
News Editor

# OPINION

## Larry's Logic

Not too long ago, when the faculty was talking strike, and the school was gearing up for whatever might be forthcoming, I decided that it might be important to follow the issues, to see if there was any "justification" for positions taken by each side.

And so I read the releases from the AAUP—this is the teacher's Professional organi-

zation (union). Their release said that they had hired a consultant and this experienced man proved beyond a doubt that the school had a good deal of money. The problem, said the consultant, was that it was moved about in some trick of bookkeeping so as to appear that the monies were not there.

I was reasonably convinced. Then the administration said there was no money but I was supposed to take their word for it.

Then there was no strike and everyone was happy and we went to the classes we have been paying for.

Now the school's president, President Greenwood, recently issued a statement that derives from her paid consultant's report about the school's finances. We are, we have been told, 2½ million in debt.

What we have, as I see it, is two consultants that are talking of differences millions of dollars apart.

This means that either the AAUP consultant got paid and did a shabby job, or the school's consultant got paid and did a shabby job. Or they both did what they thought was right but there are many truths instead of a simple one.

Now by Larry's 3rd law of logic (the others will be forthcoming at another time): Get the consultants together to show which report is right. If the school's is right, then the AAUP ought to get its money back from the consultant. If the AAUP's report is right, then the school ought to get its money back.

If both "are correct" then the discrepancy ought to be explained.

This way, we might really know where we stand... and have an inkling about the truth. After all, isn't this one of the aims of education—to help us to know the truth so we can act upon it?

## Larry's Rent-A-Dean

I learned recently that UB is forming search committees in order to replace at least two deans. But more important, I discovered that this is not at all

unusual, either here or elsewhere in American higher education.

Seems that for a variety of reasons deans quit or are asked to quit and then the search is on. A search seems to consist of inviting applications, taking candidates out to dinners, and asking probing questions. Then recommendations are made (usually) and a dean selected, having been ranked in order of preference by the committee.

The trouble is that the process is costly and usually only gets a dean who leaves the following year for greener pastures (money); or who steps down (goes into some teaching slot) because he or she has had it, or the administration or the college has had it with the dean.

I checked into the history of this thing. I wrote a number of friends at various colleges and asked them to interview deans. What I learned is that colleges generally like to higher a dean who has a background at least vaguely connected to whatever it is the college purports to be involved with.

Thus, a college of business would like a dean who has a background in Economics, marketing, accounting, or some other business area.

The problem with this is that a person with a background in one discipline (say physics) is not likely to know overly much about another discipline within his college (here, for example, what would a physicist know about chemical engineering?)

Thus, say my informants, the move is toward getting deans who have a track record as managers. They hold the various departments together and listen to their complaints, ideas, needs, and ambitions. They become front people to the administration. Example at the highest level: General Eisenhower as president of Columbia. His discipline? War.

When I began looking into this subject, I also found out that there are hundreds of schools across the country that at any given semester are looking for deans—sometimes one, sometimes two or more. Doesn't take much math to figure out that American

higher ed has a speculative market in dean-hopping (and hoping).

Ok, the idea. Larry needs investors to put money into his Rent-A-Dean company. Since deans often stay no longer than a year, or are wanted not much beyond this time, why bother looking for full-time replacements?

Office temps. Rent a dean for a year. Like him or her, rent for another year. No academic skills but lots of managerial skills. Besides, when a new administrator comes to campus there is always a honeymoon period (flowers, wine, loss of virginity) till the flak begins. By this time, people can say that the dean is almost on his or her way out anyway so why make waves.

How to get a list of deans for this service? Easy. Offer good wages and a one year stay and tell the dean prospect to take a leave. The prospect might like the change. The prospect will have something to put on his or her dossier in case the dean likes the power, the boot licking, the authority and despotic rule that are perogatives of the job.

I need money to start up this operation. I have to add staff, place ads, search out candidates and make outrageous offers. You can cash in on this. Send a letter and I'll send a prospectus. In fact, you might want to consider your out-of-work uncle for a deanship. Get him off unemployment and make aunt Martha happy.

## Peace U.

Editor,

For four bucks, the War Resisters College (201 N. Link Lane, Ft. Collins, Co. 80524) will confer and send a Ph.D. degree in Global Politics, personalized and suitable for framing, to any of your readers who are not now members of the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines (A.N.A.M., for short).

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"The only way the wars will end," Napoleon said, (and he should know!) "is when the soldiers refuse to fight."

There will be those on your campus and in your community who will not want this letter printed. "It's illegal," they'll say. (It's not.) "He's only out to make a buck." (Four bucks.) "It's immoral." (What?)

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I would, and do, say the same thing to Russian, and Iranian and Iraqi students. And Salvadorean and Canadian and Mexican students: stay out of the army! (navy, air force, marines, et. al.) This is the first, and only "method" of the War Resisters College.

We're a simple bunch. We stay out of the armies. That's the single lesson we teach, though its faces are legion. We give out Ph.D. degrees for learning, and abiding by this lesson.

A final note: if 20 or more of your students send for their Ph.D. degrees, you will, individually and as a campus, be nominated and in the running for our No Bell Peace Prize. I assume that if you bring peace to the world, you deserve a higher degree, and such a prize. I look forward to conferring this honor on your brightest, most insightful and aware student thinkers.

Thank you for the space.

In peace and prosperity,  
Jack Gebhardt  
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## OPINION

## Silver Spitz

When I paid my tuition at UB I had sworn a vow to poverty. Now, after reading about the sexual spores drifting about, I am swearing a vow to chastity.

What to do with your latex gifts?

For those in a similar situation, a hint. I use them as a swimming cap when I use the Rec Center in the mornings. The sleek lines of my Speedo Condom Cap cuts friction and thus increases my lap time. The new latex head gear also keeps the chlorine out of my hair, making it easier to shower after my workouts.

Sincerely,  
The Silver Bullet

## On The Homeless

To the Editor,

I would like to thank you for running that article about the homeless and of your time out on the streets searching for warmth and money. It was a well worth effort to do so, since most of your local weeklies around the country would talk of pilgrims and Thanksgiving recipes. The U.B. community needed to here of the rest of the country that are starving and homeless, which is about 2,000,000 plus here in the grand ol' U.S. of A. Well your article gave me a good feeling that somebody cares and is concerned about America's problem. Nevertheless somebody doesn't care at all. Back at home, in Washington D.C., I was expecting the turkey dinner and merry time with wine and family; this was true with more wine then expected, everything was just fine, me and my brother went for a walk about town to digest some of that filling food. At the corner of my house was a man in a crown hat asking for money so either he could eat or grab a bottle of something like Mad Dog 20/20. I gave him a dollar and wished him a merry holiday. This is an example that a homeless person maybe everywhere. Even with this problem the government is still concerned in taking money away from the people and pour it into military spending. Social programs, welfare, and homeless projects are being cut to a point were the estimated 500,000,000 people will lose even more money when right now they either have no homes or are living at poverty levels.

At home after giving that man a dollar I later discovered that my local government is refusing shelter for the homeless. About a week before Thanksgiving Mayor Marion Barry gave the order to place gates in front of the Farragut north subway entrance so the homeless could not seek shelter in this subway stop. He plans to order more fences put

up around the city so the homeless cannot get in any where during the winter months, is this a thanks? This conservative government that is plaguing the nation is wiping away the dirt in hopes that it will just vanish. When, for God's sake, will this government of ours look inside of itself then worrying about the outside. Too many people are dying in the U.S. because the government is continuing to cut out the programs to help build this nation into a respectable country. Sure the administration has cut unemployment down from 11% to 7% but the people that have

gotten work are still in the poverty society of the country. With high taxes and rent costs not to mention cuts in green stamps and welfare checks a family has no chance to actually make any progress in their social status. Who can we thank for this. Maybe the man who has tripled our deficit and who has spent more on the military than any president during peace time. Yes, I think that is the man we have to thank for putting so many at poverty level and increasingly helped the rich get rich get richer.

Dan Golodner

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Manuscripts to English Department Secretary or Mailroom, South Hall 4th Floor.



## NEWS

## MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY REMEMBERED

On December 2, the University Senate passed a resolution concerning a special observance of Martin Luther King Day. The Co-sponsors of the resolution are faculty member Ruth Ann Baumgartner and Dean Paul DeGennaro.

On Monday, January 18, there will be a special edition of The Scribe dedicated to Martin Luther King.

The resolution reads as follows:

U.B.'s Spring semester 1988 and 1989 begins on Martin Luther King Day. A number of students and faculty members have expressed concern that we are holding classes as usual. This concern is understandable.

Nevertheless, cancelling classes would not be the most appropriate way to honor Martin Luther King, his achievements, and his principles. Equal access to education was one of the most important of those principles. Education itself is crucial if we hope to become a society of free and fair-minded human beings.

We, therefore, request that the Senate urge the faculty to observe Martin Luther King Day in the following manner:

1. Recognize the observance of Martin Luther King Day by taking a portion of class time to discuss its significance or by reading a short prepared statement honoring the man and his mission which will be distributed to all faculty. If this statement is read, it might be followed by an open discussion on the statement itself or any aspect of Dr. King's life, accomplishments or beliefs, or by a moment of silent reflection.

2. A program of events outside the classroom commemorating Dr. King will be planned and faculty are requested to encourage student attendance by announcing the time and place of these events to be determined.

3. Faculty are asked to recognize that some students may be participating in other observances off campus and absent from class. Said students should arrange for receiving assignments missed in order to be excused from class.

The above resolution has been reviewed by the Office of Minority Students and the Curriculum and Education Committee on December 1, 1987. The committee unanimously recommends University Senate approval of this resolution.

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Third World playing to an appreciative audience on December 9. Approximately 900 people attended the highlight show of the semester.

### College Bowl

College Bowl, the varsity sport of the mind, will be played at the University of Bridgeport this spring starting February 13th.

Now celebrating its 10th anniversary, the College Bowl On-Campus Program is a popular traditions on America's campuses.

Sponsored nationally by the Association of College Unions-International, the Office of Student Activities is the sponsor on-campus. This is UB's first season in the com-

petition since the 1960's.

Like the popular television series of the 50's, 60's and 70's, the game features two teams of four players each competing to score points to toss-up and bonus questions.

The questions cover every conceivable topic from literature, science, history, current events, religion, philosophy, art, mythology, music and drama to rock n'roll, sports and movies.

Students who want to play in the Campus Tournament may sign up at the Student Activities Office from now until February 5th.

The team that wins the Campus Tournament plus up to four all-star players from the

competition forms the varsity squad and represents the school in intercollegiate play.

The Campus Tournament is the first leg on the road to the official College Bowl National Championship Tournament. The Regional Championship Tournament is scheduled for February 27, 28, 1988 with the Nationals following in the spring.

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For more information, contact Bill Fargo, Coordinator of Student Activities, 116 Student Center, x4484.

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## NEWS

### Vacation Housing

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As the semester draws to a close, it is time for reflection and thanks. I am proud of the efforts of the Student Life staff. I am thankful to Michael Halal for providing this space for me to convey my weekly messages. My best wishes go to all students for success in their exams and coursework.

I know that all who have given their best efforts throughout the fall semester are feeling satisfied and proud. May all have a restful, safe and happy holiday.

Paul T. DeGennaro  
Dean of Student Life

### Rules For Taking The Math Placement Test

1. Any student who plans to take the test must pre-register with the Math Department secretary at South Hall Room 324.
2. If he/she has taken the test before, he/she will be charged a \$15.00 fee.
3. Every student taking the test should bring a registration slip from the Math Department.

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### Computing Greetings

This semester for the first time engineering students took part in a computer aided drafting contest to create a sea-

son's greeting using one of several software packages that the college has received as grants.



First prize winner is Lincoln Dickerson, a UB freshman engineering student at Western Connecticut State University chose to work CADKEY. His entry called "with dreams of" shows an individual asleep dreaming of UB and a Pontiac Firebird. Lincoln will transfer to the UB campus next semester when he will continue his studies in Electrical Engineering.

Second prize winner is Ly Ung who chose to work with AutoCAD. She is also an Electrical Engineering major.

Professor Dilloway, Chairman of the Department of Manufacturing, Industrial and Management Engineering said he was pleased with this first time effort and hopes that the practice will continue in the coming years with the members of the freshman class.

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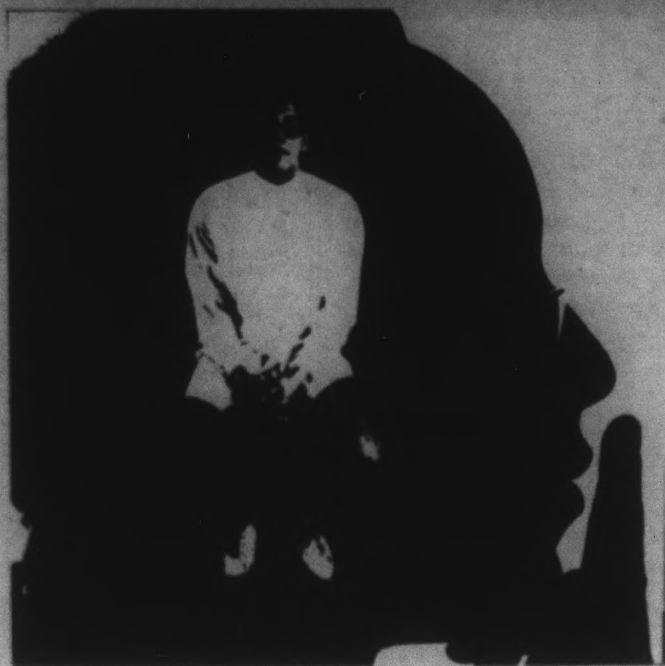


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## ARTS



## U.B.'s own Homegrown Az-MT

by Dan Golodner

Well maybe you can help me. What has really happened to the diverse music scene of today? Has it shaded into a music form that may sound new and different but when you really look at it, it is really only disco. Or could it be that same old Heavy Metal music that has been dominating the airwaves this year only to end up having about 15 bands looking alike and sounding all the same. After a long search I did come across a new diversity in the music scene and low and behold it seems to be from our own campus. Az-MT is welcoming you to the 1990's. A blend of technology of the 80's that uses computerized enhancement for the orchestration and lyrics that touches the soul and a remembrance of the revolutionary calls of the 60's. Az-MT has just released a tape of four songs that will lift you and take you on a trip towards mental awareness. I must really admit that as soon as the tape was over I did play it again.

The first song on this low priced tape is entitled "Come away with me...," a computerized vocal welcomes you to the tape, at first it seems like a typical computer band but wait, a strong voice of Doug White sends a slight reminder of early Iggy Pop or Bauhouse, a kind of deathly emotional cry can help describe Doug's voice—the emotion is a plus in his voice. The drums, which are played by Greg Simmons, are very tight with a surprising change of roles and clashes that grabs your attention as saying really this does not sound like some pick up college band. The lyrics that welcome you bring you into a world with "children dyin' and all their mother's cryin'" and ask the audience to "get a grip" on its life (Sounds familiar to something in this planet?) with Scott Taormina's guitar work that shows an emotion confusion of our times.

"Changes", the second song, cannot but



photographs  
by  
Andrew Tinari



remind me of the keyboards off of Van Halen's 1984 album with the same old basic chord changes leaving you with a feeling for more. But once again Doug's vocals rip through the song explaining to today's society, our generation, to look around and take notice that the silver spoon that mommy and daddy have been handing you won't be around for long, so as the old saying goes, "wake up and smell the coffee".

Az-MT's love ballad is one song that is too simplistic with the keyboards well how shall I say it, it is the same as every other ballad ever written. But credit is due to this band. With Greg's drumming, he leaves you with echoing affect of passion and emotion. Scott's 12-string guitar work is a beautiful filler that really sets in well in this piece of music. The diversity of this song really relies on Greg's drumming and Doug's vocals. The band does give a nice ring to ballads, but to this writer ballads always sound so simplistically nice. "Love" is the last song on the tape that sums up the direction and strength of this band, with a Gilmour type of guitar work that drives with such impact of power chords and bending of notes. The drumming once again gains at every change in the music, this unrelenting power gives the band its impact and edge over other new bands out right now. Doug's vocals bring you to the point that we are humans, not men or women, but humans with emotions that should not be covered up by sex gender, "Man's pride shouldn't be in love of power but of love in itself."

Az-MT is a band that has shown me a diversity on the music scene. Their mix of different types of music blends to a significant composition. A mix of heavy guitar, heavy rhythms and deep emotional cries with dashes of computer keyboards, the band has shown a new type of dance music or just music to sit and listen to. You tell me, is the music of the 1990's heading in this direction? Can this be a chance of diversity or will it be the same old thing? Hopefully Az-MT will come out with an album that will show more of this diversity and less of that same old thing.

## HOCKEY PLAYERS!

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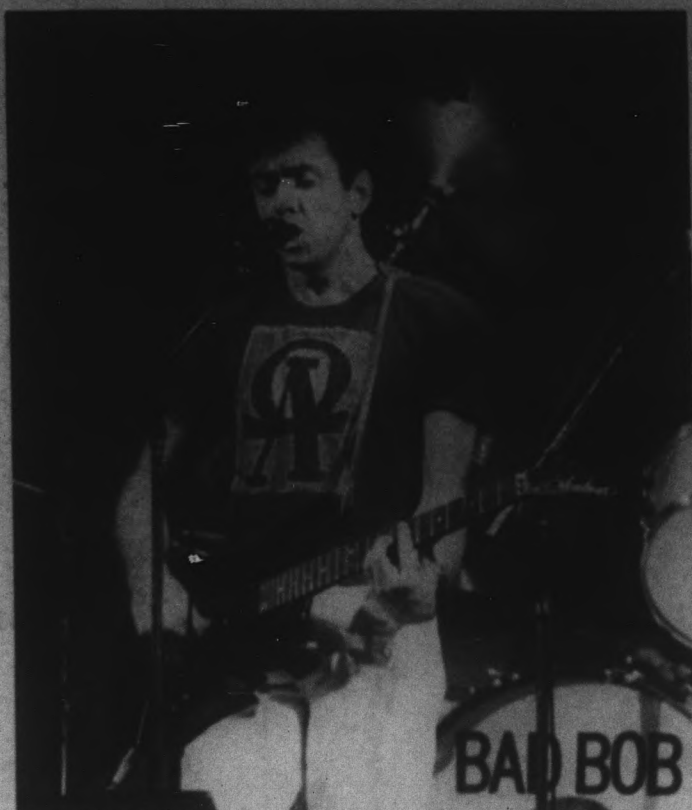
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## ARTS

# BAD BOB & The NEW WORLD CRUSADE



Tonight at the Carriage House, the Residence Hall Association presents Badbob and the New World Crusade. The show will begin at 8:30 p.m. and it is a BYOB event. Admission is \$1.00 with a UBID.

Badbob and the New World Crusade evolved in mid-1985 through informal jam sessions. The group, led by the singing, songwriting and guitar of "Bad" Bob Therrien, has had some impact on the Connecticut music scene over the past few years. Before the

group was officially formed, "Bad" Bob was a member of the punk/hardcore band Lost Generation and the other band members were from the now defunct Stratford Survivors. As soon as "Bad" Bob sensed a need for a musical change the band was formed and immediately entered the recording studio.

Three singles were issued, one right after the other, each earning a lot of local sales and airplay. Those three songs, in addition to four more, made

up the "New Signs of Everlasting" cassette. The band's lineup was finalized this past summer with stalwart bassist, Tom Alexander, drummer Jim Coppola, and newcomer Dick Neal on guitar and backing vocals.

Perhaps one of their strongest efforts to date has been their four song EP "Today's News." The cuts on this album capture the essence of Bob as a songwriter and the New World Crusade as a rock-n-roll band.

## Last Friday In The Village

by David G. Logemann

"God must have a nasty sense of humor for putting a tuft of hair around the anus. Everything else appears to be functional, but the only reason for that buried thatch is aggravation," the lecturer said.

The crowd gathered on the corner of Sixth Avenue and Ninth Street was amused, but none took the lecturer too seriously. Wearing green gas attendant pants, a yellow flannel shirt and a red wool cap, the lecture stood balanced on the rim of a garbage can, leaning back against the building behind him.

"You figure it out. You could just as well have hair on your tongue so every time you swallow, you gag. Of course, that would defeat the whole plan of periodic aggravation that this alleged creator has in store for the unbelieving. For the faithful, well, that's another story."

There was some mumbling amid the laughter. Two teenagers with a large radio passed by. A group of suburban college students came by and joined the crowd. Two old men left.

"Yes, for the faithful, the plan is to get you to believe, and then—surprise! Nobody's there! Yes, it's a cosmic trick or treat. Wake up and find eggs on your stained glass window. Make sure your children only marry within the tribe, only to find out that they and their children have some kind of inbred disease."

Three girls, all wearing clothes that looked like pajamas, and sporting brightly colored clips in their brown curls, stormed away, jaws trying to wring the secret of life out of their chewing gum. Three other girls, dressed exactly the same way, joined the crowd from the other side.

"Meanwhile, in the dark living rooms under blankets, young girls are denying their boyfriends' desires because someone passed on the rumor that God had a son from a virgin, and that this son didn't get too much action himself. So, when they finally do discover the world's worst-kept secret, they either wonder who started the rumor in the first place, or they consider their pleasure an interesting side effect of being an imperfect being."

A guy with a leather jacket and a silver cross hanging from his left ear pushed up to the front, dragging his girlfriend with him. She wore a tight black leotard with a gold cross resting in her cleavage.

"Hey, you can't talk that way about the mother of God," she said.

"If I can't, how come I just did?"

"You think you're smart, huh?" asked the guy with the earring. "You think our Lord is something to joke about?"

Someone's gonna kick your ass, brother."

The lecturer smiled and folded his arms. Those in the front could see the ragged circle of an old scar on his left hand. He said nothing.

"Yo, why don't you answer me?" The guy with the earring pushed up against the garbage can, pointing his finger. His girlfriend tried to drag him away.

The lecturer still smiled. From where he stood, he could see the tops of her breasts, soft white curves with shining gold between them set off against black fabric. With one tooth, he bit the corner of his lip as he unfolded his arms and put his hands on his hips. The same ragged scar was also on his right hand.

Two men in the front told the agitated couple to take it easy, to let the comedian or whatever do his thing.

Reluctantly and angrily, the couple left.

"There it is, the word made flesh." The guy with the earring heard this and turned around, but the girl pulled his arm and told him to forget it.

A fire brigade rolled up Sixth Avenue, bathing the crowd in flashing light. A couple in their early thirties stopped and looked at both the crowd and the hook-and-ladder trucks, whispered to each other before moving on.

"Now, suppose there is a God, and suppose He created you with an allegedly free will. Given that, and a planet to roam loose on, why would you need a redeemer? Even if you made some bad mistakes, like dumping poison all over the place, inventing philosophies to cover up all these atrocities, you're still the one who bears the consequences. So why is it necessary to have a redeemer, other than bad conscience?"

He spread his arms as if he were about to embrace the entire crowd. He looked at each person eye to eye. There was silence as he folded his arms. Even the street was empty of traffic.

From without the cluster on the sidewalk came a pleading wail in a Brooklyn accent: "No don't! Just forget him! Come on!" The young man with the leather jacket and the earring pushed back through the crowd, his girlfriend holding onto his arm in futility.

With twelve people looking on, he reached up toward the lecturer. Orange sodium vapor light shimmer from just beyond his hand for an instant. He touched the lecturer's side and jumped back, hand now darkly glistening as he ran away alone.

Another fire company rolled up the avenue, light and noise harshly washing the quiet crowd standing around a toppled garbage can.

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## Thursday 10

- Women's Basketball-UB vs Merry College, Home, 5:30 p.m., Gym
- Movie: "Spaceballs," Student Center Social Room, 8:00 & 10:30 p.m.
- Bad Bob and the New World Crusade, Carriage House, 8:30 p.m.

## Friday 11

- CT Venture Group, Bernhard Center Tower Room, 7:45 a.m.
- Men's Basketball Bankers Classic, Home, 6:00 p.m., Gym.
- Mercy College, N.Y. Institute of Technology, Franklin Pierce College.
- Patty Larkin, folk singer, Carriage House, 8:00 p.m., \$2.00.

## Saturday 12

- Men's Basketball Bankers Classic, Mercy College, Franklin Pierce College, N.Y. Institute of Technology, 2:00 p.m., Gym.

## Sunday 13

- Movie: "Spaceballs," Student Center Social Room, 8:00 p.m.

## Monday 14

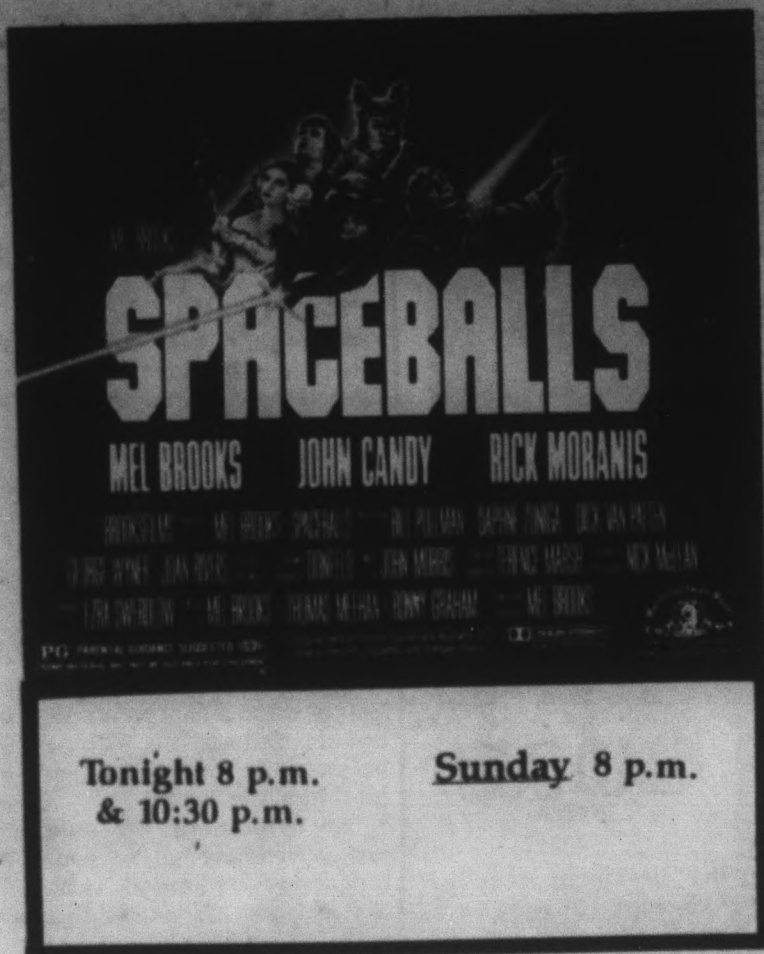
- Jazz Ensemble, Mertens Theatre, 8:00 p.m.

## Tuesday 15

- Last Day of Classes, Thursday Class Schedule

## Wednesday

- UB Civic Orchestra, Mertens Theatre, 8:00 p.m.



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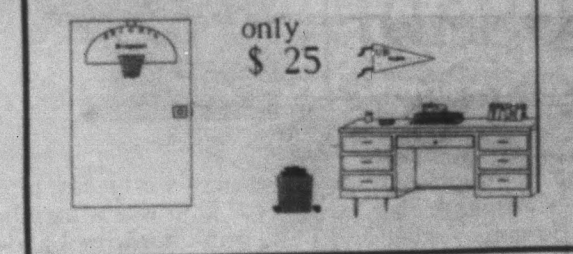
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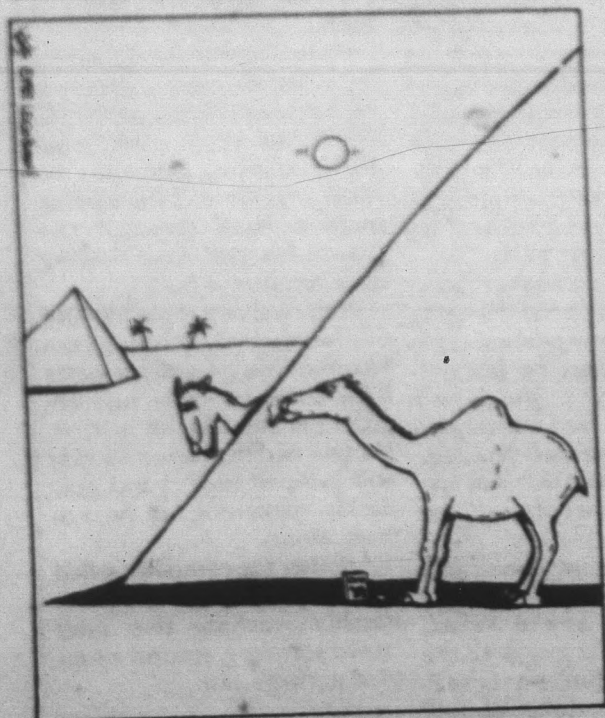
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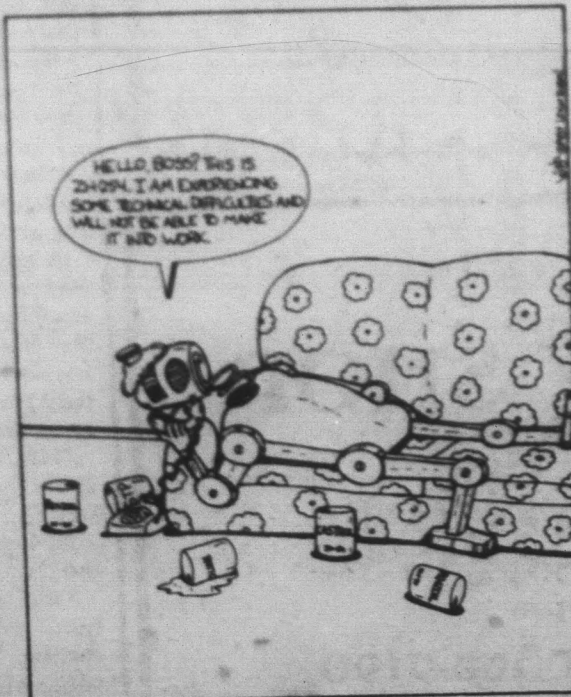
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